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February 16, 2016

Paul M. Munchbach, Town Clerk Town of Dedham 26 Bryant Street Dedham, MA 02026

Re: Dedham Fall Annual Town Meeting of November 16, 2015 -- Case # 7848

Warrant Articles # 7 and 8 (Zoning)

Warrant Articles # 11, 12, and 14 (General)

Dear Mr. Munchbach:

Articles 7, 8, 11, 12, and 14 - We approve Articles 7, 8, 11, 12, and 14, and the maps pertaining to Articles 7 and 8, adopted at the Dedham November 16, 2015, Fall Annual Town Meeting. We will return the approved maps to you by regular mail.

Note: Pursuant to G.L. c. 40, § 32, neither general nor zoning by-laws take effect unless the town has first satisfied the posting/publishing requirements of that statute. Once this statutory duty is fulfilled, (1) general by-laws and amendments take effect on the date that these posting and publishing requirements are satisfied unless a later effective date is prescribed in the by-law, and (2) zoning by-laws and amendments are deemed to have taken effect from the date they were voted by Town Meeting, unless a later effective date is prescribed in the by-law.

Very truly yours,

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